

[Postmarked July 18, 1966]

Monday

Dear Mom and Father,

At last - a letter! Thank you for your rather testy letter of last week Mom, and please be patient and try to understand that while I may be idle one minute, I'm invariably swamped the next.

Such was the case last week - with the Tylers arrival I kind of dropped everything. We were thrilled to see them and things finally worked out so we could all get together. I picked Coogie up Tues. morning and brought her back here - she insisted on hanging up my wash so Jessie and I wouldn't "talk about her" being a bad guest! Betty Roe came over for lunch, and then at the last minute things worked out for the Tylers, Mr. Casleman, John & Jess, and Bob and me to all have dinner -

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which was great fun. We went to a very fancy place - great food, Wzd. Coogie and I went over to Betty's for lunch and had a nice time chatting. It really was a boost to see them and talk of familiar things.

I've been having a girl come to work on Thursdays, and so far so good. She cleans well, irons beautifully, and is good with the boys. So I do hope it works out since I don't get out much.

Friday night the Castlemans had us over to meet some of their friends - very nice, but per usual - a little out of our league - the big problem seemed to be how much to pay the yard man! Jess' nurse has gone now, and although she has a maid every day, it is still difficult to manage with the twins. They are really beautiful babies, but two just is a problem. I go over when I

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can and help her feed them, but these are still taking a 2:00 A.M. bottle — UGH! I DON'T ENVIY HER!

Speaking of people being out of our league, I think (at least I hope) you will be proud of us in our decision NOT to even try to keep up with these people. We can't anyway, so there's no sense getting involved. This has come to light in our house-hunting efforts, because they all advocate living in the Park Cities (Highland and University Park) where real estate values are low, but prices are very high. Bob and I spent the weekend looking in an area called Richardson — pretty far out, but we are used to that, newer, friendlier, and very good schools. A lot of young people live there and I think they would be more in our class. There are some lovely homes

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in this area, and also many in our price range that are a lot more house for the money than most places. However, we are still just in the looking stage and are in no hurry to sign up for anything yet.

Schools are posing a great problem right now, and I see no easy solution to the whole thing. Ironically, we live a block and a half from our church, which also happens to have one of the best schools in Dallas (nursery school thru the 6th grade). However, there is a huge waiting list, and it doesn't look as if we will get Bob and Sam in this fall, so I've got to find someplace else to send them. With the probability of moving by Dec. I want to send them

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Someplace that will be CONVENIENT FOR DRIVING SINCE I can't have them change schools in the middle of the year. If we move to Richardson this will make more of a problem since it's farther out. I really don't know what to do at this point.

Didn't know any of EDNORA'S news - although I'm not surprised about the divorce. I really do intend to write her when I can - so tell her not to despair.

Glad to hear about BEICSY'S big rush - and not at all surprised. Tell to hang in there and have a good time. COOQIE told me everything has been settled about GRANDMOTHER'S house, and I'm so happy for her. Give her all our best love - I'll also try to get a letter off to her soon. We were relieved to hear KUCY is alright too - la malade imaginaire?

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Well, that's about all our news for now. Bob is still working hard (we get up at 6:00 A.M. if you can believe it!) and he has had some great fights with the powers that be in Arlington and Chicago - and has emerged victorious! It is a question of doing it his way or theirs, and since he's going to be responsible anyway he wants to do it his. The boys are a little bored, but once school starts they'll get over that. They constantly talk about Massie and Paw Paw and Beisey and Nannie, so you needn't worry about being forgotten! I send all of our love and a big kiss to everybody - we miss you all. Be patient about my letters, and write us when you can.

much love,
Mary

P.S. look who's talking about forgetting birthdays!

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[Postmarked July 7, 1966]

Wednesday

Dear Mom,

Finally I have a few minutes to drop you a line - thanks so much for your nice letter - we all greatly appreciated it. After our hectic wait in Louisville, we finally arrived in Dallas a little after midnight. Chris fell asleep on the plane after about $\frac{1}{2}$ hr., Sam in about an hour, and Bobby about 20 min. before we landed. Then I couldn't wake them up! It took me 10 min. and the stewardesses had to help me carry all of them. Bob was late meeting us, naturally, but we finally made it to the motel for some much needed sleep.

Betty Roz brought us over to the house (cottage?) Fri. and I must admit I was pretty horrified at first - Betty must have sensed this, because while I didn't say a word, she kept saying, "Now Marcy, it really isn't so bad," "Now Marcy, it's going to work out fine - just think of it as a cottage on the lake for 6 mos. - you just don't have the lake!" So we pitched right in on the work (it really was filthy!) and

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Betsy (bless her soul) took Bobby and Sam back to the motel and swam all day - Chris stayed with us. We got all the furniture moved in Fri. and what wouldn't fit or had to be stored went in the garage - the cars sit out.

Now that everything is pretty well settled, the house really is going to be fine - it's small, but everything looks very nice and I'm quite pleased with it. By the way, that 3rd bedroom is smaller than Bobby's was - it used to be a small porch that was enclosed, but Bobby fits in there nicely. The kitchen is small too - no room for my table - but we did get a card table in for the kids to eat on. Other than that, it looks darling - a nice fenced in back yard, sidewalks, a nice neighborhood, and very convenient.

I hate to make this so short, but I still have a lot of work to do. The boys are all fine, and have been very good through all the confusion. Bob sends his love and promises to write soon. My love to all - and please let me hear from you. Much love - Mary

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[Postmarked Sept. 6, 1966]

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Tuesday

Dear Mom,

Well, I got Bobby and Sam packed off to school today, so I have a few minutes to write a note. They were both so excited, especially Sam, and they took their shining little faces happily off to class - not a tear shed! I know they are going to love it. Chris was the only one who was unhappy, and he kept saying, "Go Koot, Mommy?" and he dearly wanted to stay - but his time will come soon enough.

I can't tell you how much we all loved every minute of your visit, and we only wish it could have been longer.

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maybe the NEXT ONE will be. The boys and I saw your plane go up from the parking lot, which was most exciting for them. They really do miss you mom, but I doubt if it's as much as Bob and I do. I hope you told Paw Paw that I had great plans to make him some brownies - tell him we'll eat the NEXT batch in honor of him!

TREVOR and Betty had us over last night, along with Janet (Fritz) and Leo Lawler who are moving to Dallas. I had only met them once before, but they seemed quite nice - have a little boy, Blake, who is just Chrissy's age. We plan to have them over soon - they are in a motel now and looking for some-

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place to RENT. It's almost like living
in Anchorage again!

We had a nice weekend, although
Bob had to work Sat. and Mon.! We
went to the Cowboys' game Fri. with
some customers whom we liked very
much. Then we went to the park for
a while on Mon. so the boys could
play, and Bob and I batted a tennis
ball around for a while.

Well, that's really all the news I
have for now. I plan to start on some
of my sewing this week - the bedroom
and kitchen curtains - and I'm going
to have to make a couple of fall

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DRESSES, AS I HAVE NOTHING along
that line at all. At any rate I'll
be pretty busy - and the first
church auxiliary meeting is Thurs.

Please give everybody our love -
especially Paw Paw and Nannie - and
tell them we miss them all. Once again,
I can't tell you what fun it was to
have you with us. Tell Polly and Jay
we wish them Happy Anniversary on
the 15th - and thanks for Sam's card.
The Johnny West is still a big hit.
Write me soon.

Much love,

Mary

P.S. You got the first letter on my
new stationery!

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Dear Beice -

Will write this afternoon. Hope your foot is all right. Please call me Sunday night & let me know how you are - I love you
Marty

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Wednesday

DEAR Mom, FATHER, & BEICCY,

This will have to be a short note as I have been sick and don't really feel up to much yet. The stomach virus struck me, and I was really laid low for a couple of days. I'm feeling some better now, but am still very weak - I'm sure I'll improve rapidly though.

I sent a big box via Greyhound Bus Mon., and it should arrive in Middletown by Fri. - your phone no. is on the box, so they probably will call you when it arrives. My Xmas

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PREPARATIONS HAVE BEEN VERY DISORGANIZED, TO SAY THE LEAST. PREPARATIONS FOR THE PARTY OCCUPIED ALL OF MY TIME, AND I HAVEN'T EVEN FINISHED SHOPPING FOR THE BOYS YET. I WAS OUT SHOPPING WHEN I GOT SICK, SO THAT TOOK CARE OF THAT! I HOPE I'LL BE ABLE TO FIND AT LEAST A FEW OF THE THINGS LEFT THAT THEY HAD WANTED. I DID GET THE RECORD PLAYER, THOUGH. WE ARE GETTING THEM A KITTY CAT, TOO.

THE PARTY WAS A GREAT SUCCESS, AND I THINK EVERYONE HAD FUN. IT CERTAINLY IS A BIG UNDERTAKING THOUGH, TO HAVE A PARTY FOR 60 PEOPLE - ESPECIALLY WITH 3 KIDS, AND NO HELP!

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Sally ARRIVES CHRISTMAS EVE
and goes back the first. We are really
looking forward to having her, although
we have no real plans for the holidays.
We will certainly miss the lovely
CHRISTMAS DINNER I know you will
have!

I must sign off now - before the
mailman comes. I can't tell you how
much we will miss each and every one
of you, but you will all be in our
thoughts. Our best wishes for a happy,
happy CHRISTMAS and a wonderful
year to come.

much love,
Mary



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[Postmarked Nov. 7, 1966]

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FRIDAY

DEAR ALL,

Well! I hardly know where to begin after mom's letter of this week. I don't know whether to set your mind at ease about all of us or answer your questions first! First of all, let me say that apparently one of your letters did go astray, because this was the first we had heard about Laurie's tonsils or father's leg improvements. We were so glad to hear about Paw Paw, and hope he continues to do as well - must be all that good clean living! Why did

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Laurie have to have her tonsils out?
Hope all went well nevertheless.

Now, let me gently suggest that you relax about us, and I'll reassure you that if anything is ever really wrong I will call you. I know you don't hear from me as often as you would like, but then neither does anybody else I write, and please realize that I just really have a lot to do. There are also a few times when lying down for an hour or two wins out over writing one of those letters I ought to! I'll try to do the best I can so you won't worry though.

This whole thing about the

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histoplasmosis has really gotten distorted - I simply told our doctor's office here where to write for all of our records in Hou., Dr. Simon being among them because he was the one who found the histo. Dr. Simon's office wrote that they had no records for Bob, so I told the nurse here to write back specifically mentioning the histo. test and suggested that perhaps Simon's office had mixed Bob's records with Father's. That was all - we were just transcribing our records. Bob actually is fine - he works too hard and is tired - I am going to

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INSIST that he have a physical in the NEXT WEEK OR TWO - simply ROUTINE. As always, he needs to gain some weight, and perhaps the DOCTOR can help him with that. I can only hope that he will slow down as some results of all his hard work are evidenced.

About his job - I will try to explain as BEST I can, but bear with me because the situation has gotten MURKIER in even the past week, I SWEAR - the next time this happens I'm just going to call you because it's just so much HARDER to explain on paper!! The cast: Bob, Sales mgr. (Dallas), TREVOR, Southwest Area Sales mgr., Ted CARPENTER, Southwest Area mgr. - the

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last two are in ARLINGTON and Bob's immediate bosses. TREVOR asked Bob to write this REPORT - his opinions and observations of the Dallas office up to this point. As I said, it was a stroke of genius, but NOT VERY FLATTERING - OR ENCOURAGING - UNLESS Fed did something and quick - namely, building a warehouse in Dallas (instead of using ARLINGTON) or making comparable service available from ARLINGTON. I think Bob is encouraged about his job, but NATIONWIDE has a VERY bad name here mainly because of this POOR DELIVERY PROBLEM - about which Bob can do nothing. So it

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was hoped that the REPORT would bring about some ACTION. HOWEVER, you do REMEMBER about the MERGER between U.S. Plywood - Champion? Well, this invariably brought about some management changes, and as of this week, Ted's job has been eliminated. TREVOR does not get along with the new powers - that - be, so it's even possible he may be put in another position or something. As far as whether anybody will do what Bob wants for Dallas, we won't know until the dust settles. It's all very complicated, but I hope you see it a little bit better now. Please don't mention any of this - things are so crazy in the business world, and I've learned to keep my mouth shut - if

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nothing else!

ON to lighter things - HALLOWEEN was a great success. Many thanks for your package - the kids went wild over it - and Sweet Marie and Nannie sent cards they loved getting. They had a party for Sunday school, and at regular school, plus TRICK-OR-TREATING so you can see it was a big deal. Sam's teacher asked me to be their room-mother (ahem!), and I went to help out with their party, so CURIS got to go too. The school went on a field trip today, and Bobby and Sam have a birthday party tomorrow - you can see why

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I'm so busy! They are having so much fun though - and most of our problems with them have calmed down - for a while at least!

I have been so jealous and homesick since hearing about all your snow. I must admit we have missed the beautiful trees and colors of Fall at home, and I've found one place that has a little (and I mean little) clump of trees that ~~is~~ ^{are} kind of sickly yellow - but it's close enough to help me remember, so I drive by once in a while. I'm afraid we're all coming on for a bad time with Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching - I know I always seemed to miss Mother & Daddy more

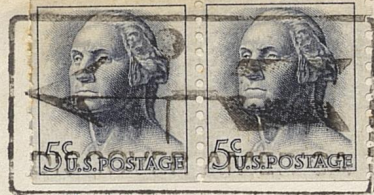
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then.

Now - I couldn't possibly have left anything unanswered in this epistle). And if I have - you'd better call, because I don't think I can write anymore! We still love Dallas - there are so many, many marvellous places to go and things to see, and we've really made some nice friends.

I'm trusting you to give our love to everybody - we do miss you all so much. A special kiss for Father - and write soon.
much love,
Mary



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[Postmarked Oct. 26, 1966]

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Tuesday

Dear Mom,

As I am "babysitting" this morning I thought I would drop you all a note. Janet Hawler and I try to help each other out by trading off children when we have something to do, so I am keeping their little boy, Blake, this morning and she is keeping Chris Thurs. When I get a permanent, Blake will be 3 in Dec. too - real cute, but not too well-behaved - but he and Chris have a fine time together. I generally don't have much trouble

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getting sitters, EXCEPT during the day, and since I don't have the maid anymore, this arrangement should help some.

Sam and CHRIS had BRONCHITIS last week, and I'm getting a cold now so we're a little puny at this point. The boys are much better, although they still have those racking coughs, but \$15 worth of medicine and a visit to the doctor ought to have done some good! Boy - we really are missing our "no charge" days in Louisville!

We have been having some trouble with the boys, and a lot of it I'm sure is just that they are

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all getting a little older - we seem to be facing a whole new set of problems that we've never had before, and it's difficult to know how to cope with them. For instance, they cut great chunks out of their hair last week! And Bobby and Sam spread dirt (from their shoes) all over their beds and my beautiful carpet one night. Bobby has begun to tell a few lies, and believe me - it was a tremendous shock to have him stand there and look me straight in the eye and tell me a bald-faced lie! But, I realize all of these things

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are bound to happen and we can only try to do our best to counter-act them. I think the fact that Bob sees so little of them now, especially when they are used to a lot of attention from him, has a lot to do with it, and he is going to try to get home a little earlier at night - at least before they've gone to bed!

Of course, Bob has to work a lot harder and longer at this point - everything seems so balled up! Bob just wrote an absolutely brilliant report to Trevor and Ted Carpenter about what ails Dallas, and why, and what to do about it. He delivered it

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to them yesterday and they were most impressed - more important, they plan to do something about it so maybe his life will get easier before long.

That's about all of our news - what's new from your end? Has Grandmother moved yet? How's crusty old Paw Paw doing - what about Polly and Jay and Beicy? There has been a dearth of news from your end, ahem! Give our love to everybody - we miss you all so much.

Much love,

Mary



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Monday

Dear Mom,

I can't tell you how much the boys enjoyed the cards you sent them - they really got a kick out of getting something for their very own. You have really been great about writing, and we all look forward to and appreciate your letters so much. I really will try to improve.

Things are pretty much the same here, and I have no startling news to report. I told you I gave up my maid - it was just that I was getting "antsy" about getting

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some things for the house and fixing it up, and we just can't do everything. So, at least that puts a little more money in the pot and will enable us to do a few more things. The living room draperies that I had ordered were not the right color at all, but the store wouldn't take them back but did agree to cut them to fit in Chris' room. So I'm waiting for more draperies that are on order, and also the material for the den slipcover. The thing that discourages me is that the house looks exactly as it did the week after we moved in!

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The boys are all fine - I kept Sam home from school today because of a cold and he had some fever last night, but I don't think it's anything serious. I got all of their shoes - thanks to you, and it was such a big help. We have been having lovely, lovely weather lately so the kids are outside almost all day. They have so many friends to play with. Bobby lost another tooth - bottom to the right of center. A kid up the street told him there wasn't any Santa Claus last week, but I was able to talk him out of that - at least for

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the time being. I can't bear to think that he's that old or grown-up although I know it must come soon. It's so close to Christmas though, I hope we can get through just one more year. School is still a big thing around here, and I'm so glad they both seem to like it so much. I haven't had conferences with their teachers yet, but will report on that later.

Bob still is working awfully hard, and I'm afraid he's going to completely collapse if he doesn't slow down - but I don't seem to get anywhere pleading with him. Last week-

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END he went to HOUSTON, got back
Sun. at noon, and we left immediately
to take some customers to the Cowboy
football game, then dinner, and we
didn't get home until 12:00 last
night. This is typical of his pace. How-
EVER we both love the football
game and have worked up a genuine
team spirit for the Cowboys - they
are undefeated so far, and won yes-
terday's game by 56-7! It really
is so exciting and we have taken
some awfully nice people to the games.
I do hope though that Bob slows down

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SOON - we are going to have to take a vacation soon so he can recuperate.

How is everybody - I still haven't heard a thing from Grandmother. Please give our best to the Tylers and CONGRATS. to G. III until I can get caught up enough to drop them a note. What's Beicy doing - please forward this to her or something so she won't think we've forgotten her. I'm having a dinner party in a couple of weeks for the Lawlers and several other friends we've met, so I'll be busy. A hug and kiss from all the boys to Massie & Paw Paw - write soon. much love, Mary



Air mail

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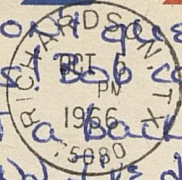
Dear All,

Monday

SORRY I've BEEN so bad about writing - I'll really try to do better. EVERYBODY is fine - the kids just LOVE school, and CHRIS CRIES EVERY day because he wants to go too! I saw Sam's teacher the other day, and I think she really enjoys having him as much as he loves to go - you ought to hear their Spanish! My car made a pitiful sound this morning and wouldn't start, but I don't know what's wrong yet - I'm almost afraid to find out. Also the TV had to be repaired last

WEEK - I don't know if
EVER stops! Bob continues
to work at a back-breaking
ing pace, and I've decided
to give up the maid so

we can get some more
things done for the house -
UGH! Give Beicy, Paw-
Paw, & Nanny our love -
we miss you all so
much. Write soon.
much love, MARY, et al.



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ANCHORAGE, KY.

[Postmarked Feb. 1, 1967]

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Monday

Dear Mom and Paw, Paw -

Have you given up on me? - I don't blame you - my only excuse is laziness and the beautiful weather we've been having off and on. It still gets cold here, but 2 or 3 days out of the week are beautiful - 70°-80° - sunny, real spring weather - and spring fever to go with it! When the weather is so lovely, I just have to go outside, and don't get much done as a result. But Mom - we finally got all those weeds pulled out of the rose garden, and I've planted some tulips too.

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The boys are all fine - I was just thinking how healthy they've been compared to last year! We've given Bobby the room by himself because he wanted it, and he really is old enough to have some privacy. It's worked out very well too, because he keeps it neat as a pin and has some place to retreat to alone.

We have also just started him on an allowance - a nickel a week, for emptying all the waste baskets, and any other little odd jobs I ask him to do. He's very grown up now - oh yes - he lost one of his top front teeth - really looks like a goon! Since he doesn't take a nap anymore we have a lot of time together, and I've been reading to him

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a lot. Mother and Daddy sent the boys
a set of books by Walt Disney, and they
all love ~~them~~^{them} - myself included!

Sam seems to be going through
a kind of in-between stage - too old for
some things, and not old enough for
others, but since we've just spent a
year and a half when he was an abso-
lute angel we can hardly complain!!

CHRIS is - well - CHRIS! WE RUN
hot and cold there, but with the nice
weather he's been outside more and has
some kids to play with, and he needs that.
We are trying to let his hair grow out,
but it still sticks straight out - he looks

like a porcupine! ^{4.} Bob is against putting him in NURSERY school NEXT YEAR because he'd have to be in the 3 yr. group, and 3 years of pre-school is really kind of much. But on the other hand, he enjoys it so, and NEEDS to be around other children as an equal, not a little brother. Well, we have plenty of time to decide that,

I have been making more and more friends lately, and have been invited to several bridge parties as a result. I'm not really the bridge-circuit type, but it's fun and you have to go where you're invited if you expect to meet anybody. There are some darling girls who live close to us, so it's coffee here

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and there - all very "suburban", N'est-ce pas?

Bob thinks the new boss, Dale Crippin, is going to work out fine. He has made it very clear that Dallas is Bob's bailiwick - and his responsibility, too. I think we are getting a company car soon - a Ford Galaxie - and I will have the VW. We'll try to sell the Falcon for whatever we can get for it. Bob is also on a routine to gain weight - he's put on 8 pounds so far, so I hope he sticks with it.

I'm still trying to get a maid, but something should turn up soon. It's mainly so I can have some free time, maybe play

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a little golf, since daytime sitters are so hard to get during school, Oh - for a spare Grandmother or two!

Please send this to Beicey - and we want very much for her to come during Spring Vacation - we're planning on it, and what are the dates? I may get to go to Houston one weekend soon with Bob - hooray! Would you please call Polly and thank her for the gifts they sent the boys for Xmas - that Rooster Record is driving me crazy! I'll write Nannie soon.

That's about it for now - we love and miss each of you very much, so please write soon. I have the horrible feeling that I missed Nannie's birthday - don't know the date - my apologies to her - love - Mary

Air Mail



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TUESDAY
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Dear mom and father,

I'm SORRY I haven't been able to write sooner, but as well as the Christmas confusion, Bob and Sally were both sick part of last week - we all kind of passed the stomach bug around. EVERYONE RECOVERED though, so we hope to all stay healthy for a while!

Our Christmas was a great success. Of course, we missed all of you terribly, but talking to you did help us. We opened all the presents, and then spent most of the morning

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digging out from under! The children loved all of the things you all sent them - and the record player was a big hit! All of the tags came off your packages by the time they got here, but we presumed one of the boxes of nuts was for Sally, and she asked me to thank you. Bob and I greatly appreciated the checks - and as far as I'm concerned, that's the way to do things! We went out several days after Xmas and bought some clothes on sale - great! I loved the powder, too. Marie's birthday presents for the boys got here

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2 days after Christmas, but they were thrilled to have another box to open!

We got the boys a kitty cat, and he has been grand for them. They really enjoy playing with him, and he is so cute. I'm sorry to say many of our pictures won't turn out because the batteries in my camera were bad, but we'll send them on when they are developed.

Sally went back to New York on Sunday, and we really enjoyed her visit so much! The boys had such

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fun playing with her and getting a little extra attention.

I have to rush off now so I can get this mailed - I also have about 10 or 12 ^{more} thank-you letters to get off, so don't expect much from me til I get caught up! Many thanks for the pillow slips for my birthday - the ~~cs~~ were so needed. Bob's car has been wrecked - for a change, somebody hit him from behind and smashed him into the car in front. Nobody was hurt, but the VW is pretty bad, so I'm immobile for a while. Again, thanks from all of us to you all for our Christmas presents - write soon.
love, Mary



Air mail

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P.S. OUR dear friends MARY & STEVE MASSEI
are moving to Washington, D.C. NEXT month. Good
new job, but we Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr. [Postmarked June 2, 1962]
hate to see them go. 1228 Navaho Trail
Richardson, Texas 75080

Thursday

Dear All,

I'm sure you have all just
about written us off - and I wouldn't
blame you a bit. I seem to have been
caught up with the mumps (Sam &
CHRIS - Bobby NEVER got them), plz -
packing for mother & Daddy's visit, and
then going pretty constantly ONCE
they got here. We had a wonderful
time with them, and LOVED EVERY
minute of having them stay here. We
played golf, shopped, took the kids
to Six Flags (like Disneyland), and

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believe it or not, mother and I antiqued that old secretary, mom. It looks beautiful now. mother & Dad left on Tues., so we are all experiencing somewhat of a letdown.

The children are all healthy now, Thank God! They get out of school tomorrow, Bobby is in the school fashion show next week - to raise money for the library, and Bobby and Sam start swimming lessons June 6 at Glen Lakes. I guess I'll try to teach Chris myself since we'll be at the pool every day anyway. The summer is certainly starting out at a fast pace! Ah, Suburbia

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Bob has been VERY pleased lately with some big orders they have gotten, and it looks as if progress is about to rear its beautiful head! We think a promotion (and raise) are forthcoming shortly - in Dallas - but more about that when it gets. He has also been asked by three separate organizations to speak at meetings - the Advertising League, Dallas Chamber of Commerce, and something else - and this is a VERY great honor! So all of his hard work is paying off.

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WE haven't gotten our company car yet, but I hope we will soon. I got some new lamps on sale, and Mother helped me with some new clothes and a hair prostwig while she was here. The next major project is a clothes dryer, which I need desperately.

Had a lovely Mother's Day and Anniversary - and many thanks for remembering us with the present, Mom - we can always use that! The boys gave me a new set of steak knives, and Bob gave me a lovely strand of pearls. Mom - you and Nanny must have thought I'd flipped when you got those cards so early.

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I really did think Mother's Day was a week sooner than it was - and I was so proud of getting the cards there on time! We had a lovely letter from Nanvitz - she's such a dear, and I'll try to write her soon.

Hope you are all well and happy. I guess Beicey is home - for a while at least - what are her summer plans? Martha's wedding is tomorrow - poor Betty has really been through the mill, but all is going smoothly now. She leaves for Atlanta in June.

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I must run now - have to go to a Church Board meeting tonight - I somehow got hooked into being chairman of a committee - Housekeeping and no cracks, mom! Then I'm in the Guild for the Richardson Symphony Orchestra, plus P.T.A. for both Bobby and Sam - and God knows what else will turn up!

Hope you will forgive my lack of correspondence lately - I'll do better now that things have settled down. Give our love to all, and let me hear from somebody soon.

Much love,

MARY

P.S. mom - will you do me a favor and find out who & where I write to get the boys' birth certificates - need them for school.



MR. and MRS. ROBERT COLGAN
(ET. AL.)
OSAGE ROAD
ANCHORAGE, KY.

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P.S. Bob sends thanks for his birthday
check.

[Postmarked Aug. 24, 1962]

Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr.
1228 Navaho Trail
Richardson, Texas 75080

Thursday

Dear Mom,

Thanks so much for your nice
letter, and we enjoyed seeing how much
your business has grown - it must be
very gratifying to you. Hope you had
a good time in New York.

Seems to me as if all I've done,
and have scheduled for the next two
weeks, are meetings. EVERYbody has to
have a meeting before school starts,
and I sure am tired of listening to
a bunch of women talk! I will be
glad when school starts and we all

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get settled down to a routine again. Bobby will be in school until 3:00, and Sam until noon, so Chris and I will fend for ourselves. At least there are several boys Chris' age around here to play with.

I haven't written any plans about our trip before now because they have changed about 5 times. Even this is not definite, but we plan now to start driving Thurs. Sept. 14 as soon as Bobby gets out of school, and we'll probably get to Hou. Fri. night. (We have to talk to AAA about the driving times, etc.) We wanted to be in Hou. for one weekend ~~so~~ because that's

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probably the best time to see our friends. Then we'll all stay until Thurs. the 21st. We have now decided to take the boys to the wedding, because Sally wants them to come, and there's no telling how long it would be before they met Jim otherwise. So we'll drive Thurs. the 21st to Grand Rapids, stay for the wedding and then drive back to Dallas starting Sunday the 24th. We've had to try to arrange things so Bobby will miss as little school as possible, and I wish it could be longer, but it just can't. If any of this won't work out from your end, just let us know.

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At least we'll have a station wagon to make the trip in. It's a long story about how we ended up with it that we'll tell you later, but it will make travelling more comfortable - especially for the boys.

Mother and Sally are going to G.R. the 16th - Connie may not even go to the wedding, which is another long story I'll fill you in on later. She just can't seem to cope - such a tragic, hopeless situation! Daddy goes about the 20th - with or without Connie.

I want to get this off now - Sam's birthday is Sun. - party, etc. - and we got him a shiny two-wheeler Sting-Ray bike - which he probably can't ride! Give everyone a kiss, and love to all - MARY



Air mail

MRS. ROBERT T. CALGAN
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[Postmarked July 23, 1967]

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Thursday

Dear mom,

Enclosed is a picture for your birthday, and also one for Paw-Paw. I didn't have them framed because I thought you might prefer to carry them in your wallets. Hope you have a very happy, happy birthday - we will all be thinking of you.

Don't have much news - the wedding plans seem to be progressing. The dress I'm supposed to wear arrived, and it is beautiful. Long,

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sleeveless, shocking pink, with a slight train gathered up into a bow in the back. Fits fine, but is too tight in the shoulders (my usual problem) so I don't know what we'll do - it came from Boston. I may just have this one altered.

We've been swimming a lot lately, and the boys have really improved. They love it so much, and I must admit, the summer has been grand for me. It's absolutely great having them all big enough to get along fairly well by themselves - and no bottles, diapers, etc. I'm

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sure the fall will get a little hectic though with bridge club, garden club, church work, two P.T.A.s - and I'm planning to take guitar lessons.

I really wish I had some more news, but I don't. The boys have picked up another cat (Tigger) but I don't know if he's going to stay yet. We're planning to go to Houston this month for the weekend - to visit Russ and Merte Pearson. And then Bob has to go to Chicago for about

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four days for a management seminar.
But that's about it - we're are
really looking forward to coming
to Louisville.

Please give our love to Nannie
and everyone else, and please ~~let~~
me hear something from you all
soon. Thanks for the info. about
the birth certificates. Happy
Birthday, again.

Much love,
Mary

[Postmarked July 23, 1967]

Sunday

Dear Polly,

We found your letter when we arrived home last Monday night after a lovely, lovely trip down and up the East Coast of the U.S.A. We stopped by both going and coming at the Leverings, spending the weekend on their boat as we came home. In fact spent a whole week coming home, stopping at Silver Springs, Jeckyll Island, Williamsburg, etc. and had a great time. The ten days at the Benjamins was loads of fun for all of us, luxurious living, lots of side trips, and wonderful food. Lots of yardwork, housecleaning, and other chores when we got home but we were ready for it and have been plunging in all week and about have things under control. Really start working tomorrow at Head Start and Mary starts day camp. I will only be working mornings and then can take any days off I want just as long as the work gets done. The Benjamin's are arriving tomorrow night to visit with the Travises on their way to Canada. We will see them briefly sometime while they are here. Jean Crawford is having a housefull of guests next week too so will be entertaining them ~~###~~. It has been foggy, rainy, humid for weeks here - everyone said it was awful and we were so lucky to miss it. Was the same last week but began to get sunny yesterday and seems to to maintaining itself today. Hope now we'll have the good part of the summer weather.

When we were thinking about coming down to Ky., it was a wild idea of just coming down for a week of just seeing everyone and playing a little tennis or golf. It would mean driving down on the weekend of Aug. 26, 27 and then coming home the day after Labor Day. That was if

we had any money left at the end of the summer. If you are coming up to New York the 18th, it would seem like a better plan for you and Marie and maybe a Miller-Castleman to come up here a week or so before the 18th and we could spend the motel money for a night or two on the Cape or up in the mountains while you are here. Anyway think about it. Had, also, mentioned coming up for the America Cup Races to Fred and Gully. They are all alone this summer with all the kids counseling at camps. Discovered, however, that the Cup Races don't start til the middle of September so they may rather come up some other time this summer and we'll go out to see the Trials. Ed Montesi (house in the back) has a new sloop he is chartering this summer and we would get it for a day. If the girls can't come with you, maybe you would like to come while they are here, at least we could try and arrange it. Gully and Fred aren't mad at you but they think you are mad at them for their wild prejudice. That situation has worked out very well! If you haven't heard from Gully or Sunny yet, you will. Sunny is engaged to a young Episcopal minister, Rick Dennis. Sunschai just ~~####~~ kind of faded into the hills and Sunny hasn't heard from him in ages. Fred still isn't convinced it's all over but anyway that's where things are at this point and we'll see. Gully didn't know wheter to write you or let Sunny tell you but she is so excited about the whole situation that she has probably told you by now.

Was so glad to hear you enjoyed J^Udi. Where is she now? Wrote her earlier to come up here sometime this summer but haven't heard from her. Will write again. Know you did love having all your chicks together when Bobby was home. Give all of them a hug and kiss for us.

Love,

Fan



AIR MAIL

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Osage Rd.
Anchorage, Ky.

P.S. Sally's address is 425 E. 63RD ST.,
APT. 2A5T 2E,
[Postmarked July 11, 1967] Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr. NEW YORK
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Monday

Dear mom, Father, BEICEY, & NANNIE -
(and hulu?),

My lack of CORRESPONDENCE is
appalling, I know. Seems there's
always something. Sam got bit all
the way through the ear by a NEW
neighbor's dog a couple of weeks ago.
He had to have 3 shots, and the dog
(who has had his shots) had to be
boarded at the vet's for 2 weeks for
observation. Then Sam had a reaction
to ONE of the shots this week, and
was literally covered from head to
foot with HIVES! This required more

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medecine, etc., but I think he's fine now - the ear is healing well. The whole deal (shots, DR.'s visits, and medecine) has cost us about \$40 - which the neighbors have not made the slightest effort to pay for!

The boys have also had a throwing up virus which they pass around, so you see, I do keep busy! I hope EVERYONE is healthy for a while now.

Bob LOVED his short visit to Lou, and had such a grand time seeing all of you. I was really jealous! The birthday party was a roaring success, and Bobby loved the little golf clubs we gave him.

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Sister Sally is on cloud 9 at this point. She spent the weekend of the fourth in Grand Rapids and they had an announcement party - so it's official now! She has a ring, and they already have a place to live there, which she loves. At this point, the wedding is going to be Sept. 16 in Grand Rapids - pending approval from Hawaii. Also, there is some talk about the boys going with us, but that is far from being settled now!

I can't tell you how wonderful your offer of boarding the boys is!

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It is just great of you and we really appreciate it. Right now, we plan to drive to Hou., maybe leave the boys ~~at~~ with you all, and then fly to G.R. and then back to Hou. and drive back to Dallas. At any rate, whatever is decided about whether or not to take the boys, we will visit ⁱⁿ Hou. either coming ~~or~~ or going - if that suits you all. I'll let you know more as the plans materialize, o.k.?

SORRY to make this short, but I must run. Give our love to all - we can't wait to see you! Write soon.

Love, Mary



Air mail

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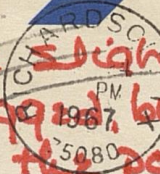
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Monday

Dear All,

Just have time for a short note - but I'm improving, aren't I? Mainly, I want to ask mom to please, post haste, tell me where I have to write to obtain duplicates of the boys' birth certificates - I must have this done before school starts or Bobby can't go! Bricey - when does school start for you? Everybody seems to be well - for a while, at least! My little

"fish" are slightly
water-logged but
they love the pool. My
gold is horrible - but
fun. Bob feeds things
are going smoothly
now at work - at last.
Please let me hear
from you soon - it's
been a while. XXX Mary



Mr. & Mrs. Robert Colgan
Osage Road
Anchorage, KY.

[Postmarked Nov. 30, 1967]

Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr.
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Monday

Dear Mom and Father,

Don't have much news, but I thought I'd try to bring you up to date on us. We certainly missed you all at Thanksgiving! We had a lovely time though - dinner with all the trimmings - just us this year - and then Bob and I went to the Cowboys' game later in the afternoon. Hope Beicey had a good time in "moulting Bird," Ga. - or whatever it is! This is beginning to sound more serious all the time - how 'bout it? Christmas is weighing heavy on my

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mind already. You would be appalled how early the buying season starts in Dallas, and against my wishes, I have to jump right in there or get left holding an empty bag. So I've got almost all my shopping done already - maybe you will get something on time this year!

If I get them mailed, that is!

What can I tell you about Bob - besides busy, busy, busy? Too busy to suit us, and he keeps saying it will get better, but I don't know. He works too hard, gets too little sleep, and has no recreation. The weather has been beautiful (in the '70's and 80's)

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but he hasn't played golf since we were in Lou. I try to slow him down, but my words seem to fall on deaf ears. I don't want you to worry though - he'll ease up when he's ready I guess!

The boys are all just fine - very busy and active. Bobby is football - crazy now, and Bob does get out in the yard on the weekends and play with them. Bob and Bobby are also doing "Indian Guides" - a program sponsored by the YMCA for fathers and sons (in the 1st grade). Very corny and hokey and all - would you believe "Big Buffalo" -

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(Bob) and "BRAVE Buffalo" (Bobby) - but the kids really get a kick out of it. Sam loves school as much as ever, and his one abiding problem is when will he get a loose tooth? Status symbol, I guess! Chris - my baby - can you believe he'll be 4 years old in two weeks? It doesn't seem possible!

How's Grandmother? - Please give her our love and kisses. Thanks for the Thanksgiving cards - the boys loved them. Write soon and let us know what you all are doing - we think of you so often.
much love,
Mary

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Thursday

Dear man,

I've been hoping to hear from you since my last long letter - maybe today. I've been awfully busy lately - we're having the Castleman's & haulers for Thanksgiving dinner before the Cowboy football game - plus all the kids! Then I've got to have a company cocktail party (about 35 people) in Dec. - so it all requires a lot of organization. Bobby had a throat infection last week but is fine now - we went to a

Open House at their
school and got glowing
reports about both of
them. If you can find
the time, how about send-
ing me your recipes for
vegetable soup & chili?
We're all fine - give our
love to everyone & WRITE
SOON! love - Mary



MRS. R. T. Colgan
Osage Road
Anchorage, Ky.

WEDNESDAY

Dear mom,

Just have time to drop you a note and let you know about the move. We plan to be in Fri, and then have the whole weekend to unpack and try to get settled - I hope I never see another box again as long as I live!!! We have gotten this house rented for Mr. Brett, so we'll have a small refund coming - and we'll need it! I love

the house more every
time I see it. Please
thank everybody for
their cards to Bob -
and thanks to you both
for his gift. The boys
are all fine - we're
really getting excited
about your visit. Love
and kisses to all - Mary



MRS. R.T. Colgan
Osage Road
Anchorage, KY.

THURS. MORN.

Dear Mom,

THANKS FOR YOUR NICE LETTER - and the postcards. I'll try to get off a letter to you tomorrow or the NEXT day. Had a GRAND time with Coogie Tues. & Wed. - we really loved seeing them & managed to get in a dinner with John & Jess & C. Jack & the TYLERS. EVERYBODY is fine and things seem to be settling down a little bit now. The house is in pretty good shape EXCEPT FOR the bare windows, but that can't be helped. I think

Mother & Daddy may be coming to Dallas Sept. or Oct. - and of course, we are all looking forward to your visit - do you know when you'll be here? All the boys & Bob join me in sending our best love to you all & Grandmother. Write soon
Much love, MARY

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Dallas, Texas
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Your
Mail Health



MRS. R. T. Colgan
Osage Road
Anchorage, Ky.

Thursday

Dear Mom,

Got your sweet letter yesterday, along with one from Coogie, plus a Time and a McCall's, so I had a big day of it! We also heard from Beicy this week - you have no idea how the letters cheer me up, so keep up the good work.

I'll try to answer some of your questions about the house - but please remember, I have been in it all of two times, and I find myself drawing huge blanks about colors of walls, sizes, etc. I just know that I love it, and can't wait to get in something all our own that I can fix up and doze on. The house is centrally air-conditioned and heated with a Chrysler Air-Temp unit - which is supposed to be very good. There is also a wood-burning fireplace in

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the panelled den, and it is fully carpeted throughout in this lush pale, pale green - except for the kitchen and den, which are tile, and that suits me better because of the cleaning problem. The yard is not very large, but really down here it's too damn hot to sit outside or use it much. It is not fenced right now, and we plan to look into this in the future - however we do have sidewalks out front for the kids.

Our getting out of this rented house has really worked out very well - the landlord, Mr. Brett, has been an absolute angel about it all! He agreed to let our last month's rent (Dec.), which we had to put up in advance, apply to Aug. for whatever portion of the month we live here - if the house is then rented to someone else, he will refund us the Aug.

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balance. Very rare for a Jewlord! In return we are trying to rent the house for him and I am showing it. I really don't think we will have any problem because it is in "the" place - the Park Cities - and the schools are excellent and people are very anxious to get in this area - regardless of the house! I have been amazed at the activity in one short week - about 20 people have already been by, and I have four coming today! We really seem to have lucked out on the whole situation - tell Father it's just plenty of good clean living - and a few bridge parties with the Castlemans!

Right now we don't know exactly when we're moving, but it will be next weekend (the 12th) at the latest. The problem is the people who are in the house now -

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and they just simply picked up and went on a vacation, so we're kind of left hanging until they get back. But we've signed the closing papers, and the house belongs to us Aug. 10. I am so excited about getting into it - you will love the neighborhood, and I know the boys will have lots of friends because it is a young area. I am trying to get them enrolled in an Episcopal church school close to us - and it is really a good school. The director said the chances are pretty good of getting them in and I should know next week.

You would be amazed at the churches here. They are simply beautiful, but, boy! are they high! It's just like being back at the old stomping grounds! We hope to find one a little lower out where we'll live in Richardson.

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We're all so excited about seeing you again Mom, and as I said on the phone the other night, we really want you to stay longer than 3 crummy days! I just want you to know that if it's us you're thinking about - so please, please try to stay longer. However, we will understand.

MUST RUN NOW AND DO A FEW ERRANDS (Bobbie Jean (!) is here today - I think she's going to continue working for me after we move.) We're taking the boys to a rodeo this Sat. night and they are really excited. Give a big hug and kiss to Grandmother from all of us - and give Paw Paw a kick in the pants, just to keep him in line. We miss you all - write soon.

Love and kisses, MARY (over)

P.S. Our new address will be:

1228 Navaho Trail

Richardson, Texas

75080

I'll try to let you know when, but
at least after the 12th.

Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr.
1228 Navaho Trail
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Wednesday

DEAR MOM AND FATHER -

Well, finally I have a minute to
let you know what a wonderful time
we all had during our visit to you.
It was relaxing and fun at the same
time, and I have never seen the boys
have such a ball! They really enjoyed
themselves tremendously, and we can't
thank all of you enough for such a
lovely visit. A special thanks to
Beicey for all her trips from Lexing-
ton - we really appreciated it - she's
still everybody's best girl!

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I have really been busy since we got back. meetings, meetings, and more meetings. And now I've started doing volunteer work at the Episcopal Hospital one day a week, so it all does keep me running pretty much. I hope things will settle down in a couple of weeks.

The wedding~~s~~ was absolutely beautiful, and we couldn't have liked Jim more. It really was amazing that mother could have co-ordinated everything so well - and all through the mail! And if you think the boys were good in Louisville, you wouldn't

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Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr.
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have believed them in Grand Rapids!
They were beautifully behaved, well-
mannered, and just all-around angels.
We were so proud of them, and they
looked darling in their suits at the
wedding - created quite a stir. The
people in G.R. were very nice to us,
and Sally & Jim's apt. is charming.
They are back from their honeymoon
now, and getting settled down.

The drive back was long, tiring,
and uneventful. But we got back on
Monday night - it was a little

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difficult getting used to cooking,
etc. again.

Please convey our thanks to
Polly & Jay for the golf game, and to
Coogie for all her attention and the
lovely dinner. Nancy B is still very
much in the boys' thoughts - Chris
calls her his girlfriend - they really
enjoyed the riding! Tell Nannie "hi."

Well, I must run now, but I'll
try to write again soon. Heard about
George & Clay's divorce - very sad. Many
thanks again - we did have a grand
visit. Write to us soon.

much love,
Mary

Mrs. Robert T. Colgan, Jr.
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Wednesday

Dear mom,

Just a quick note to set your mind at REST about us. All is fine - we're just awfully busy and thus I've neglected my correspondence - SORRY.

We had a lovely weekend just past. Our friends Russ & Marie Pearson in Houston (he was with G.E. in Hou.) called Thurs. night and wanted us to come down. We didn't have any plans, so we went, and had an absolute ball! They have two boys Bobby & Sam's ages, so we took our boys. Arrived Fri. night (drove),

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took all the kids to a sitters' Sat. aft-noon, and then we went out on the Pearson's 31 foot boat - to Galveston, spent the night on the boat, and came back Sunday morning. This was a trip in connection with the Galveston Power Squadron, so there were lots of boats & people, and we had a gay old time. When we got all the boys, we took them to the Houston Oilers game - it poured rain - then drove back. Not much sleep, but a good time.

Then Mon. night Bobby's school had a Halloween Carnival in which I was very involved, being a room mother.

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Nadine Kirkland (next door) and I
volunteered Bob & Don's services to be
clowns and sell balloons - it really was
a riot - clown make-up and all. They
said they'd kill us if we ever did it

When there was Halloween - Bobby
was a pirate, Sam a "Rat-fink" (?), and
Chris a perfect Indian. I'm antiquing
a table for the kitchen, making a dress,
and have started doing volunteer work
at the Episcopal Hospital here - which
I enjoy very much (on Katherine's day).
So you can see we're busy. Bobby's doing

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June in school, and Sam's Open House is next week so we'll see about him. Sam did get his birthday check (thanks) and we bought a tool box with it - you should have the cancelled check by now.

Great news - Bob bought me a clothes dryer last week. It really makes things easier - and was I glad to bid farewell to the laundromat!! Bob's going harder than ever - they're giving him more and more responsibility. I guess it just shows they have a lot of confidence in him.

I know you have an anniversary soon, (or have had it - I don't know the date) so Happy Anniv.! Our best love to Paw Paw, Nannie, Beicy, and the Paxtons. Write soon.
Much love, Mary